

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 17, 24, 34, and 37, cancel claims 3-16, 18-23, 25-33, 36, and 38-48, and add new claims 49-62 as set forth in the listing of claims that follows.

1. (**Currently amended**) A NO_x ~~NOX~~ abatement system ~~[[,]]~~ comprising:
a NO_x ~~first NOX~~ adsorber disposed in-line, ~~capable of being disposed~~
downstream of, and in fluid communication with an engine; and
a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) catalyst adapted for storing ammonia
disposed in-line, directly downstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said NO_x ~~the~~
~~first NOX adsorber wherein the selective catalytic reduction catalyst is adapted for storing~~
~~ammonia;~~
~~an off-line reformer disposed in selective communication with and upstream of~~
~~the first NOX adsorber and the selective catalytic reduction catalyst, wherein the reformer is~~
~~capable of producing a reformat comprising primarily hydrogen and carbon monoxide; and~~
a first oxidation catalyst and a particulate filter disposed in line, upstream of and
in fluid communication with the first NOX adsorber, and said particulate filter includes a water
gas shift catalyst.

2-16. (**Canceled**)

17. (**Currently amended**) The system according to claim of Claim 1, further including,
~~comprising:~~

an off-line burner disposed upstream of and in fluid communication with the
reformer; and

an off-line reactor including an ammonia forming catalyst being in fluid
communication with and disposed downstream of the reformer, ~~wherein the reactor (44)~~
~~comprises an ammonia forming catalyst.~~

18-23. (**Canceled**)

24. **(Currently amended)** A method of NO_x ~~NO_x~~ abatement, comprising:
storing engine NO_x from an exhaust stream in a NO_x ~~initial NO_x~~ adsorber during a storage phase;
forming reformat including ~~comprising~~ primarily hydrogen and carbon monoxide in an off-line reformer during a regeneration phase;
reacting the reformat with the stored NO_x ~~NO_x~~ to produce ~~greater than or equal to about 5,000 ppm~~ ammonia during the regeneration phase; and
storing the ammonia in a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) catalyst during the regeneration phase, said SCR catalyst being disposed in-line, directly downstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said NO_x adsorber.

25-33. **(Canceled)**

34. **(Currently amended)** A NO_x ~~NO_x~~ abatement system, comprising:
an in-line selective catalytic reduction (SCR) catalyst adapted for storing ammonia ~~capable of being disposed in fluid communication with an engine, wherein the selective catalytic reduction catalyst is adapted for storing ammonia;~~
an off-line reformer adapted to produce a reformat including primarily hydrogen and carbon monoxide, said reformer being in fluid communication with said SCR ~~the selective catalytic reduction catalyst, wherein the reformer is capable of producing a reformat comprising primarily hydrogen and carbon monoxide; and~~
an off-line reactor including an ammonia forming catalyst being in fluid communication with and downstream of the reformer, ~~wherein the reactor comprises an ammonia forming catalyst; and~~
an off-line burner in fluid communication with and upstream of the reformer and the reactor.

35-36. **(Canceled)**

37. (**Currently amended**) A method of NO_x ~~NO_x~~ abatement [[,]] comprising:
burning fuel off-line to form burner NO_x, wherein an off-line burner is upstream of and in fluid communication with a reformer and a reactor;
forming a reformat that includes ~~comprising~~ primarily hydrogen and carbon monoxide in the reformer, off-line;
reacting the burner NO_x ~~NO_x~~ with the reformat in the reactor to form ammonia, off-line;
storing the ammonia in an in-line selective catalytic reduction (SCR) catalyst;
introducing engine NO_x ~~NO_x~~ to the SCR ~~selective catalytic reduction~~ catalyst;
and
reacting the engine NO_x ~~NO_x~~ with the ammonia.

38-48. (**Canceled**)

49. (**New**) The system according to claim 1, further including,
an off-line reformer adapted to produce a reformat having primarily hydrogen and carbon monoxide and disposed in selective communication with, and upstream from said NO_x adsorber and said SCR catalyst.

50. (**New**) The system according to claim 1, further including,
a particulate filter disposed in-line, directly upstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said NO_x adsorber; and
a first oxidation catalyst disposed in-line, directly upstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said particulate filter.

51. (**New**) The system according to claim 50, wherein said particulate filter includes a gas permeable ceramic material having a honeycomb structure.

52. **(New)** The system according to claim 1, further including,
a second oxidation catalyst disposed in-line, downstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said SCR catalyst.

53. **(New)** The system according to claim 52, wherein said second oxidation catalyst includes zeolite.

54. **(New)** The system according to claim 1, further including,
an off-line burner disposed upstream of and in fluid communication with the reformer; and
an off-line reactor including an ammonia forming catalyst being in fluid communication with and disposed downstream of the reformer.

55. **(New)** The system according to claim 1, wherein the NO_x adsorber includes a plurality of NO_x adsorbers being disposed in a parallel arrangement to an exhaust flow direction through said SCR catalyst, said plurality of NO_x adsorbers being disposed in-line, directly upstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said SCR catalyst.

56. **(New)** The system according to claim 1, wherein the NO_x adsorber includes a first and a second NO_x adsorber, said first and said second NO_x adsorber being disposed inline and directly upstream from the SCR catalyst such that said first and said second NO_x adsorber are in direct fluid communication with the SCR catalyst, said second NO_x adsorber being disposed downstream of a by-pass valve such that when the exhaust stream is diverted around the first NO_x adsorber the exhaust stream passes through the second NO_x adsorber prior to entering the SCR catalyst.

57. **(New)** The system according to claim 1, wherein said NO_x adsorber includes a plurality of NO_x adsorbers and said SCR catalyst includes a plurality of SCR catalysts, and the plurality of SCR catalysts are disposed in-line and directly downstream of said plurality of NO_x adsorbers, said plurality of SCR catalysts being in direct fluid communication with said plurality of NO_x adsorbers, said plurality of SCR catalysts being adapted for storing ammonia.

58. **(New)** The method according to claim 24, wherein the step of reacting the reformat further includes,

reacting the reformat with the stored NO_x to produce greater than or equal to about 5,000 parts per million ammonia during the regeneration phase.

59. **(New)** The method according to claim 24, further including,

storing NO_x in a by-passed exhaust stream in a by-pass NO_x adsorber during the regeneration phase, and reacting the stored by-pass NO_x with the reformat during a storage phase of said NO_x adsorber, wherein the by-pass NO_x is disposed in-line, directly upstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said SCR catalyst.

60. **(New)** The method according to claim 24, wherein the NO_x adsorber includes a plurality of NO_x adsorbers being disposed in a parallel arrangement to an exhaust flow direction through the SCR catalyst, said plurality of NO_x adsorbers being disposed in-line and directly upstream of, and in direct fluid communication with said SCR catalyst.

61. **(New)** The method according to claim 24, wherein said NO_x adsorber includes a plurality of NO_x adsorbers and said SCR catalyst includes a plurality of SCR catalysts adapted for storing ammonia, and the plurality of SCR catalysts are disposed in-line and directly downstream from said plurality of NO_x adsorbers, said plurality of SCR catalysts being in direct fluid communication with said plurality of NO_x adsorbers.

62. **(New)** The system according to claim 34, further including,

an off-line mixing chamber disposed upstream of the reactor, downstream of and in fluid communication with the reformer, and in direct fluid communication with the burner.